# A Collaborative Approach to Healthcare

The HER+O Program: A Community Based Solution



 Healthy Eating, Active Living (HEAL) Idaho is a voluntary network of organizations, agencies, businesses and individuals committed to creating an environment where all Idahoans value and have access to healthy food options as well as places and opportunities to be physically active to improve their health and well-being.

#### What is HEAL Idaho?

- <u>H</u>ealth <u>E</u>nhancement <u>R</u>esources and <u>O</u>rganizations
- Community wide wellness program designed to foster collaboration among all local organizations involved in wellness and health-related activities.

#### What is HER+O?

- Most chronic illnesses are multifactorial
- Exercise and nutrition are the cornerstones of therapy
- What about other factors?
  - Financial
  - Psychological
  - Social



- Chronic diseases
- Behavioral health issues
- Poor nutrition
- Unsafe housing conditions
- Unemployment/lack of health insurance
- Marital strife/domestic violence
- Substance abuse

# What constitutes poor health?





### **Kroc Center**



How Do You Change a Community?



**Ironman CDA** 

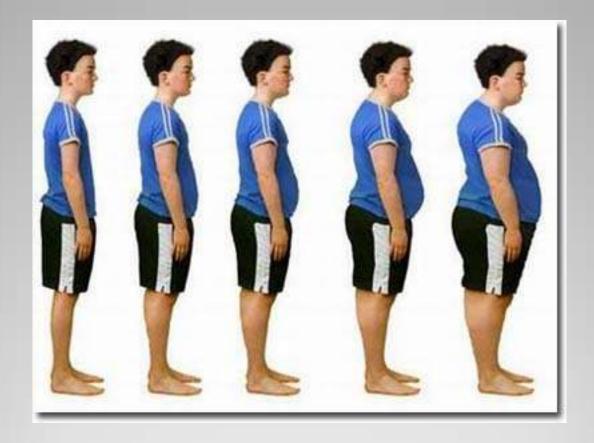




**Bike Corrals and Bike Lanes** 



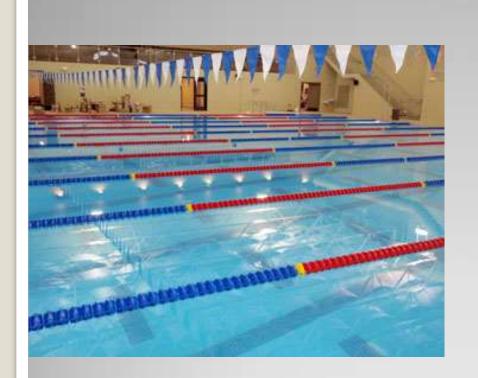
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How Do You Raise Healthy Children?



**Bike Lanes Encourage Cycling** 





**Pools Encourage Swimming** 



**McEuen Park** 



**Muddy Miles** 

- Coronary heart disease
  - much higher than national average
- Diabetes mellitus
  - 8.4% in 2010 (adults)
  - 40% increase in 5 years
- Obesity
  - Two thirds above ideal body weight
  - 40% considered obese
- Suicide 6th highest rate in the country

Kootenai County Indicators website - www.kootenaicountyindicators.ewu.edu

# A Look at Kootenai County

- Many organizations deal with some component of public health
- How do we minimize silo effect?
- How can we maximize the impact?
  - Create community wide organizational structure
  - Assess an individual's needs
  - Refer residents to agencies that are most likely to benefit them



- Most chronic illnesses are multifactorial.
- Need to take a multi-pronged approach to treatment.
- Exercise and nutrition are the cornerstones of therapy for most preventable illnesses.
- Not likely to be successful if one does not address other underlying factors such as financial or psychological issues.

# Why HER+O?



**Health Leads** 

- Rebecca Onie, CEO
- Boston-based organization that helps health care providers address the non-medical health needs of their most vulnerable patients.
- 20 partners in 7 cities, including several FQHCs
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation recently committed \$16 million to Health Leads
- Health Leads "advocates" trained college students who man a desk in the clinic waiting room

#### **Health Leads**

#### Health Leads believes:

- that one day providers will prescribe solutions that improve health, not just manage disease.
- that a different kind of healthcare system is possible for America, one that addresses basic resource needs as a standard part of quality care

#### **Health Leads**

- Health care providers "prescribe" basic resources (food, housing, electricity, heating, even job training)
- College volunteers (Health Leads Advocates) are trained to help "fill" prescriptions by connecting patients to community services and public benefits.
- Client Connect software resource database and case management system

#### **Health Leads Model**





# **Veggie Vouchers**



# Veggie Voucher



Rx Prescription For:	Date:
DOB:	
Primary Care Provider:	
Signature:	

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

- · Part of a balanced, nutritional diet.
- · Eat and enjoy a variety of healthy and flavorful foods!
- Redeem at the "Farmacy" of The Farmer's Grill with Work Ready.
- Voucher prescription good for one week supply of vegetables. No cash value.



**Rx** for Healthy Eating

- Partner = Project Work Ready job skills for graduates of Crosswalk (Project Safe Place)
- 48 food banks in the CDA area
- Even free food does not always solve the problem

# **Access to Healthy Food**

- Disease management
  - History and physical
  - Lab tests
  - Imaging studies
  - Prescribe drugs
- Health management
  - Physical
  - Mental
  - Financial
  - Spiritual

**Health Care vs. Sick Care** 

- One day event September 6, 2014
- "Do together what no one could do alone."
- 78 different organizations
- 25 churches
- 1122 volunteers
- 5016 guests served



Day of HOPE

- 5000 bags of groceries (35,000 lbs. of food) distributed
- 664 received medical services
- 230 flu shots
- 750 seen in the Breast Cancer Awareness tent
- 1600 pairs of new shoes
- \$4000 of school supplies
- 150 haircuts

# Day of HOPE



**Visitors Information Center** 

- Heritage Health
- Kootenai Health
- Panhandle Health District
- Kroc Center
- Idaho Department of Health and Welfare
- North Idaho College/University of Idaho/LCSC
- Inland Northwest Food Network
- Retailers grocery stores, Pilgrim's Market, Natural Grocers, Nutrishop, pharmacies
- Social Service agencies
- school districts
- churches

#### **HER+O Stakeholders**

- One day event September 6, 2014
- Bringing together 75 organizations for one day of collaborative investment in the community
- "Do together what no one could do alone."



Day of HOPE

- Medical
- Exercise
- Food/Nutrition
  - Nutrition Education
  - Food Network
- Psychological/Behavioral Health
- Spiritual
- Financial
- Public Health
- Social Services families, children, elderly, counseling

#### **Wellness Teams**

- HER+O program is the logical extension of the Day of HOPE
- Ongoing support and encouragement of community residents to lead a healthy life



**HER**<sup>+</sup>O = Ongoing Hope

 What if we could promote <u>community</u> <u>health</u> WHILE delivering high quality medical services to individuals?

**Community Centered Health Home** 



**Education Corridor** 



### **Education Corridor**





### MICHAEL & SUSAN DELL CENTER for HEALTHY LIVING



# THE UNIVERSITY of TEXAS

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH



### **Academic Focus**

- With individuals, practitioners:
  - collect data (symptoms, vital signs, lab tests, etc)
  - diagnose the problem
  - develop a treatment plan
- CCHH functions in a similar manner on the community level.

### **Community Centered Health Home**

# CLINICAL/COMMUNITY POPULATION HEALTH INTERVENTION MODEL

INQUIRY

ASSESSMENT

ACTION

OUTCOMES

**IMPROVED** 

HEALTH

DATA COLLECTION IDENTIFY
PRIORITY
HEALTH ISSUES

ENVIRONMENTAL & POLICY CHANGE

COST SAVINGS

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PARTNERSHIP FORMATION

- Health Care
- Public Health
- Community
   Organizations

COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATED
CLINICAL &
COMMUNITY
PREVENTION
ACTIVITY

EVIDENCE-BASE FOR EFFECTIVE PRACTICE

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**NE PA Regional Food Bank** 

#### Agencies

18 member agencies in 1996, 138 agencies today

#### Served

53,800 different individuals in 2011

#### Locations

- 26 locations in 2008, 99 locations in summer 2012
- 85,410 meals to children in summer 2012

#### Food

4,814,000 pounds of food

## **NE PA Regional Food Bank**

- 6/24/14 Initial meeting
- 7/8/14 Chamber of Commerce Upbeat Breakfast
- 9/22/14 Meeting with NIC Admin
- 10/8/14 meet with Local Operation Council (NIC/UI/LCSC)
- 10/13/14 meet with Advisory Board

- Phase 1
  - Business plan
  - 501c3 status
  - Website
  - Resource directory
  - Select location

# **Next Steps**

- Phase 2
  - Membership/participants
  - Help Desks in key locations
- Phase 3
  - Initial resource office
- Phase 4
  - Permanent office with onsite staff

## **Next Steps**



Be a HERO!